

BEFORE
THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF
SOUTH CAROLINA
DOCKET NO. 97-239-C - ORDER NO. 97-1032
DECEMBER 9, 1997

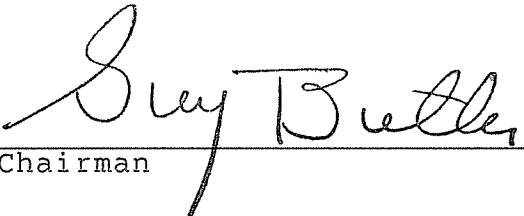
IN RE: Proceeding to Establish Guidelines) ORDER
for an Interstate Universal Service) GRANTING AND
Fund.) DENYING MOTIONS
) TO COMPEL
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This matter comes before the Public Service Commission of South Carolina (the Commission) on the Motions of AT&T Communications of the Southern States, Inc. (AT&T) to Compel Responses to Interrogatories and Requests for Production from BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc. (BellSouth), GTE South, Inc. (GTE) and the South Carolina Telephone Association (SCTA).


Oral arguments were held on these. It appears that AT&T's discovery materials are directed to the discovery of the recent levels of different categories of revenues. Whereas we do consider such material as discoverable, we believe that the members of the SCTA would be put to great expense and trouble in gathering and presenting the information. For this reason, we grant AT&T's Motions to Compel against BellSouth and GTE, subject to the execution of confidentiality agreements, but we deny the Motion against SCTA, due to the burdensomeness and expense generated by the requests.

This Order shall remain in full force and effect until further
Order of the Commission.

BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION:


Chairman

ATTEST:


Deputy Executive Director
(SEAL)